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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:
Cedell A. Alexander et al.

Serial No.: 09/513,518

Filed: February 25, 2000

Title: PORTABLE NETWORKING
INTERFACE METHOD AND
APPARATUS FOR DISTRIBUTED
SWITCHING SYSTEM

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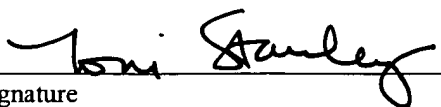
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